

(3) The question does not arise in view of answer to (2) above.

(4) No.

(5), (6) and (7). No answer is necessary in view of answer to (4) above.

Kalcheri—Kuruvancheri Road.

173. Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the length of the above road;

(2) was that road ever subjected to an outright repairs; if so, when and at what cost;

(3) does that road carry heavy traffic in the shape of arecanuts; what is the season of the arecanut trade;

(4) is that road in good repair now?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(1) 8 miles, 2 furlongs and 50 yards.

(2) No.

(3) Yes.

The season for arecanut trade is from Karkadagam to Thulam.

(4) Except the first 3 miles it is in good condition. Five furlongs of the first mile are being renewed with granite metal this year. Action will be taken to renew the remaining length according to the availability of funds next year.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—Which end of the road is meant when they say the first three miles? Is it Kuruvancheri or Kaicheri side?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Starting from the Shoranur Road.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is there any trouble because of the planting of the avenue trees on this road?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Yes. The avenue trees in that portion of the road are very closely planted and as a result the road does not get the benefit of the sun's rays for drying.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—May I know who planted these trees?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The Agricultural Department.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—What does the Government propose to improve this road?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The road in the first place is very narrow. It is not possible to deepen the

drains any further, because if you do that, the road will become still narrow. We have now proposed to widen the road by acquiring lands on either side and to thin out the avenue trees and improve the drainage. After these works are over, I think the road will be in much better condition.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know when these things will be undertaken?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—We have got the land plan schedule for improving and widening the road already prepared and we shall be addressing the Government early in 1108.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—Will you be able to widen the road by thinning alone or by removing all the trees on one side?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—I propose to thin out every alternate tree on either side, and not to remove all the trees on one side.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—Is it the idea to continue the drainage in a zig-zag manner? The other trees will obstruct the drainage.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The trees are away from the road?

Dr. A. G. Menon.—What is the present distance from the centre of the road to the avenue trees?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—It is about 16 feet.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—What is the proposed width of the road?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The proposed width will be about 22 feet.

Road to connect Vellattanjur with the Velur road.

174. Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether petitions have not been received for the construction of the road connecting Vellattanjur (at the 2nd mile stone) with the Velur road;

(2) have the Government made any provision for the same in the budget for 1108; if not, why?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—(1) Yes.

(2) Yes; Rs. 200.

അധികൃത വിഭാഗത്തിങ്കലേക്ക് പുസ്തകങ്ങൾ മടക്കി വാങ്ങിക്കുവാനുള്ള സർക്കുലർ.

175. മാസ്റ്റർ കെ. പി. വള്ളോൻ.—അധികൃത വിഭാഗത്തിൽനിന്നു പുസ്തകങ്ങൾ കൊല്ലത്തോടും മടക്കി വാങ്ങിക്കൊള്ളണമെന്ന് വിഭാഗാലയങ്ങളിൽ വല്ല സർക്കുലറും അയച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ; ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ അതിനുള്ള കാരണമെന്തു്?